OPINION

Salvation Army thanks Winchester for Red Kettle Campaign support

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To the Editor:

As we begin 2026, The Salvation Army Massachusetts Division w

express our heartfelt gratitude to the residents, businesses, and volunteers

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in the Winchester area who supported the 2025 Red Kettle Campaign.

Your generosity and kindness during the holiday season brought comfort, hope, and tangible support to neighbors in need, with an impact that will be felt throughout the year.

While the kettles have been put away, the need continues. We invite the community to support The Salvation Army as part of their 2026 commitment through financial contributions or volunteering.

The holiday season is always a time when generosity shines, and once again the Winchester community answered the call. Every dollar donated locally stayed in the community, helping provide meals, gifts, emergency assistance, and shelter for individuals and families facing hardship.

On average, each volunteer bell ringer raised enough funds to help provide nearly 250 meals to children and families right here at home - an extraordinary reflection of compassion in action. Together, bell ringers collectively raised $2,055,000 statewide.

While economic challenges continue to impact many Massachusetts residents, the steady support of our donors and volunteers allows The Salvation Army to remain a trusted source of help. Across the Commonwealth, our 28 Corps Community Centers and more than 220 Service Unit Extensions work every day to meet essential needs with dignity, respect, and without discrimination.

We are deeply thankful to the Winchester community for standing with The Salvation Army year after year. Your continued generosity ensures that we can serve as a reliable safety net for those who need it most, not only during the holidays, but throughout all seasons.

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With sincere appreciation, we wish everyone in our community a safe, healthy, and hopeful year ahead.

To learn more about Salvation Army programming or to donate, visit salvationarmyma.org/give.

Majors Everett and Patricia Henry, Divisional Leaders

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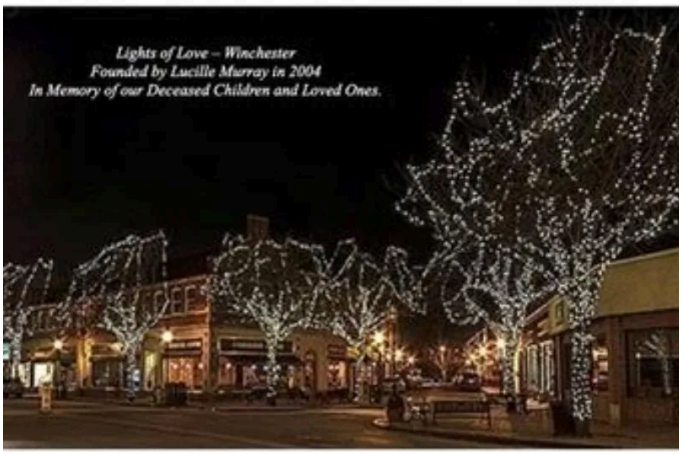

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By Talia Ho | Correspondent Fame. Fortune. And all that jazz. This spring, Winchester High School presents “Chicago: Teen Edition,” a bold musical that explores celebrity culture, media manipulation, and the cost of ambition. Set in the 1920s, this iconic production is sure to leave the audience wanting more. Performances will

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Ripley Chapel in Winchester presents ‘Syldason: You Are Welcome Here’

The following was submitted by the Ripley Chapel at First Congregational Church: On Friday, March 13, beginning at 7:30 p.m., live in-person and live streamed from the stunning Ripley Chapel at First Congregational Church, Winchester, 21 Church St., join in with Syldason, a duo concert featuring Sylvie Zakarian,

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